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SUBJ: PROPOSED NGO CONFERENCE ON DISCRIMINATION AGAINST
INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS IN THE AMERICAS

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1. EDITH BALLANTYNE, ON BEHALF OF THE NGO SUB-COMMITTEE ON RACISM AND DECOLONIZATION, REQUESTED BY LETTER MARCH 14 USE OF PALAIS FACILITIES FOR HOLDING A FOUR-DAY CONFERENCE DURING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19 TO BE ENTITLED "INTERNATIONAL NGO CONFERENCE ON DISCRIMINATION AGAINST INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS--1977--IN THE AMERICAS." HER LETTER STATES THE CONFERENCE QUOTE WILL DEAL WITH THE LEGAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ASPECTS OF DISCRIMINATION. THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE IS TO INFORM THE INTERNATIONAL NGO COMMUNITY ABOUT THE SITUATION OF INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS IN THAT REGION IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROBLEMS AND TO FORMULATE NGO ACTION PROGRAMS THAT WOULD HELPT TO ELIMINATE DISCRIMINATION. END QUOTE.

2. THE LETTER GOES ON TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING EXPLANATION FOR NARROWING THE SCOPE OF THE CONFERENCE TO THE AMERICAS: QUOTE BECAUSE OF THE VASTNESS AND COMPLEXI-
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TIES OF THE SUBJECT OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS ON THE ONE HAND, AND THE LIMITED AVAILABLE RESOURCES ON THE OTHER, THE SUB-COMMITTEE DECIDED TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM ON A REGIONAL BASIS. IT IS, THEREFORE, PROPOSED TO HOLD OTHER CONFERENCES ON THIS THEME: ONE DEALING WITH EAST AND SOUTH ASIA, POSSIBLY IN 1979, AND SUBSEQUENTLY ANOTHER DEALING WITH THE

OTHER PARTS OF ASIA. END QUOTE.

3. PLEASE PROTECT ACCESS MISSION HAS HAD TO TEXT OF
BALLANTYNE LETTER.

4. COMMENT. THE EFFORT TO PLAN THE SCOPE OF THE 1977
CONFERENCE IN THIS BROADER CONTEXT REFLECTS SOME MINCING
RESPONSE TO THE EFFORTS WINSPEARE'S OFFICE, AND POSSIBLY
OTHERS, HAVE MADE ON THIS POINT. WHILE IT MAY BE
PROBLEMATICAL WHETHER ANY SUCH FOLLOW-ON CONFERENCES
ON OTHER REGIONS EVER WILL BE HELD, WINSPEARE INTENDS IN
RESPONDING FAVORABLY TO THE REQUEST TO EMPHASIZE HIS
UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS IS THE PLAN AND INTENTION OF
THE NGO ORGANIZATION. HOWEVER, EVEN THE BROADER PLAN
WHICH IS PROMISED OMITTS ANY CONSIDERATION OF THE MAIN
REGIONS OF AFRICA, LATIN AMERICA AND EUROPE, AND LOOKS
TO BE A PRETTY CUT "COMPROMISE" FROM THE ORIGINAL
INTENTION OF THE ORGANIZERS. WINSPEARE'S OFFICE
RECOGNIZES IT AS SUCH, BUT BELIEVES IT HAS ACCOMPLISHED
ALL IT CAN AND, IN THE ABSENCE OF GOVERNMENTAL OBJECTION,
FEELS CONSTRAINED BY PRECEDENT TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUEST.
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